



PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 08702.0009-03000

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 1645**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
LEONARD et al.) Group Art Unit: 1645
Application No.: 10/659,586) Examiner: N.M. Minnifield
Filed: September 11, 2003) Confirmation No.: 4504
For: USE OF IL-12 AND IL-12)
ANTAGONISTS IN THE)
TREATMENT OF AUTOIMMUNE)
DISEASES)

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants petition for a three month extension of time to reply to the Office action of May 17, 2005. A fee of \$1,020.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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